

ADDITIONAL LOCAL.

PERSONAL PARAGRAPHS.

—John T. Polster is in St. Louis this week.

—W. W. Scott is expected to arrive home today.

—J. E. Simmons was over from Galena last Sunday.

—Miss Mattie Patton is visiting relatives in Galena.

—A. B. Sipple arrived in the city Tuesday evening.

—T. E. Meads was in Joplin Tuesday night on business.

—H. R. Crowell was down from Columbus Wednesday.

—Ira C. Perkins transacted business in Columbus Tuesday.

—T. B. McElhiney went to Columbus Tuesday on business.

—A. Macdonald made a business trip to Columbus Tuesday.

—D. B. Stephens of Kansas City was in the city Wednesday.

—J. P. McNaughton is transacting business in Washington, D. C.

—G. B. Light of Girard was in Baxter Wednesday on business.

—H. C. Scott went to Fort Scott Wednesday night on horse business.

—Jack Fish of the Quapaw reserve is in Washington, D. C., on business.

—Hon. W. J. Bawden of Fort Scott visited relatives in the city this week.

—J. W. Matthews of Kansas City transacted business in Baxter Wednesday.

—J. A. Hunter came over from Galena Sunday to visit relatives and friends.

—Milt Drake, the heavy chief of the "pale face" Peorias, was in town yesterday.

—Col. J. Leslie of Webb City was negotiating for Baxter property on Thursday.

—Dr. S. Ewing of Iowa is looking around the town with a view of locating here.

—Marion Coulter of Kansas City interviewed the grocery merchants of this city Wednesday.

—Horace Kretschmar and family went to St. Louis last week to make their home for a time.

—Ezra Henshaw of Bloomington, Illinois, arrived in the city Sunday morning to look after property interests.

—Dr. J. M. Duncan left Monday for Henderson county, Ill., in response to a telegram calling him there to attend a patient.

—Mrs. Thos. McAboy will leave next Monday for Illinois where she will make an extended visit with relatives and friends.

—W. E. Donaldson and John Jones made a business visit to the Cherokee nation in the vicinity of Blue Jacket the first of this week.

—Rev. M. E. Bramhall returned Monday from Coffeyville where he attended the Southeast Kansas conference of the M. E. church.

—Mrs. E. E. Edwards, Jessie Edwards, Leila Sands, Eldred Haines, Flora Polster, Bertha and Dena Reuter, Mamie Terrell and F. D. Price composed a merry party who went to Galena on the evening train Thursday to hear Blind Boone, the famous pianist.

McElhiney & Son received a large galvanized iron finial from Kansas City last week. It will be placed on the spire of the new Friends' church at Lowell.

C. E. Goodner, formerly of this city, but now of Galena, is the proud father of a bouncing girl which arrived at his home last Friday morning. L. C. Goodner stands the title of grandpa pretty well.

C. W. Daniels is having a brisk demand for residence lots and small houses. If you want to sell put your property in his hands. If you are too stingy to pay a commission he will work for nothing.

Ira C. Perkins and T. B. McElhiney went to Columbus Tuesday night to meet with the Masonic lodge at that place and make arrangements to establish a Royal Arch Chapter of the Masonic lodge here.

The principal part of the estate of the late Ellen Mann was sold last Saturday by order of the probate court. A good portion of it was bought by O. N. Baldwin, while parts of it went to Morris Doty and Frank Hemstreet.

Harry March was the happy winner of the \$18 bicycle, that being the first prize in the recent prize contest given by F. H. Hoose at the Postoffice Book Store. Fourteen others won prizes and all appeared well satisfied with the result.

Methodist Episcopal church services every Sunday. Sunday school 10 a. m. Preaching 11 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. Class meeting 3 p. m. Epworth League 6:30 p. m. A most cordial welcome to everybody.

M. E. BRAMHALL, Pastor.

United States Senator J. N. Dolph says "there is nothing in this country upon which so much money is expended, where there is such an exhibition of ignorance, lack of system, and looseness of expenditure as there is in the repair of country roads."

Don't fail to register.

For blank notes call at this office.

And still the hog market is losing ground.

Fishing will soon be the order of the day.

The public school term will close the 5th of May.

Baxter Springs was full of strangers last week.

Mrs. T. B. McElhiney has been quite ill the past week.

Well, will we get that kite shaped track this year?

Lock up your chickens. Poultry thieves are in the land.

A slight coal famine in town Wednesday and Thursday.

The women are not registering very heavy for the coming election.

There is no let up in the demand for dwelling houses in Baxter Springs.

Only one week more in which to register. Improve your opportunity.

Read Dr. A. O. DeWitt's professional card which appears in this issue.

No, Sofrina, the pausies haven't bloomed in this neighborhood yet this spring.

The young ladies are beginning to sigh for the lawn dress and ice cream season.

On Wednesday three Webb City gentlemen were figuring with Daniels for Baxter homes.

Chas. J. Fribley has erected a barn and other necessary enclosures for his horse, "Forest Bird."

The Galena Water Works Company will expend \$25,000 this spring in making improvements.

At least twenty new residences are under contract or soon will be. Pretty good for this time of the year.

Attention is called to the adv. of the National Hotel, J. A. Craig & Co. proprietors, which appears in this issue.

Remember the peach crop in your prayers. A few more days like Monday and Tuesday will cut the crop short.

Our colored brethren are anxiously looking forward to the season when the delectable watermelon will turn red inside.

That cold snap of Monday night came pretty near getting the best of the peach buds. They are all right yet, however.

The burning of the water works at Girard recently has been pointed to as an illustration of how dry a Kansas town can be.

The mines at Seneca are to be reopened. Seneca has some good paying mines, but they have been tied up in a law suit for about a year.

Judge J. P. Audrain died at his home in Prairie City, I. T., one week ago last Thursday night. Judge Audrain was well known by many of our citizens.

Fred H. Bartlett is erecting a commodious poultry house and will engage in the business of raising fancy game chickens. Fred is a great chicken fancier.

The News job department will soon have a complete line of legal blanks on hand. The patronage of parties in need of anything in this line is respectfully solicited.

The News office has a large supply of chattel mortgages on hand, both large and small size, which will be sold 25 per cent cheaper than they can be obtained elsewhere.

It is predicted that fishing will be good at the dam this spring. The Baxter Springs Fishing Club should reorganize and see that the fishing laws are not violated.

R. J. Morrison has reached a depth of 235 feet with his drill near the Friends church at Lowell and no water found yet. He will go to a depth of 250 feet at least.

Very strange, indeed, that we cannot get hold of any more railroad news. Maybe the Kansas City, Pittsburg and Gulf Railroad company is preparing a surprise for us.

One of our business men says: "That ad. I had in the News a short time ago did me more good than I expected it would. I have been kept busy ever since it got before the people."

Rev. J. M. Payne, Methodist minister of Galena, was presented with a \$50 suit of clothes by the merchants of that place last week. His wife was presented with a fine dress pattern and money to have it made up.

A petition has been circulated praying that the quarantine line be removed from the territory line south of this city to the Neosho river. Every person should sign it. Parties in this city and vicinity should have the benefit of more range for their stock.

ST. PATRICK'S DAY.

The sons of Erin celebrated St. Patrick's anniversary today (Friday) with one of the most brilliant and patriotic displays ever presented on our streets. The procession was formed in the rear of Bacon's barber shop and stepped out on Oliver street precisely at 11 o'clock with Father A. R. Kane as chief marshal and John O'Connell, Tarrence O'Connor and Col. William March as assistants. The line of march was down Military street to Bishofsberger's, thence east to Jim Brown's livery stable, countermarch to the Occidental hotel, north to Scott's barn, east to the medical springs and south to the National hotel.

All the civic and benevolent societies were well represented, including the Father Matthew Temperance Society, in charge of J. C. Naylor, the St. Bridget Benevolent Association led by Charles Fribley, and the Patriotic Sons of Ireland, commanded by Col. Ed. Rodkins.

The parade in point of numbers and general enthusiasm exceeded anything we have had since the Rangaroo Guards had their big Fourth of July celebration and Duncan of Pumpkin knocked the stuffing out of the American eagle.

The exercises of the day were grand and sublime, but the banquet this (Friday) evening will probably eclipse anything ever presented in this city. Many distinguished guests from abroad have been invited and some have already sent in their regrets. The following is the program for the evening:

Song—H. Michael Bacon.

"The Day We Celebrate"—Jeremiah A. Sour.

"Our Common Ancestor Brian Born"—C. Pat. Collins.

"How Patrick Killed the Snakes"—B. S. Warner.

"Female Suffrage in Ireland"—John Jones.

"Why Irishmen Should hold all the Offices"—W. A. McElhiney.

"Why St. Patrick was a Greater Man Than Washington"—T. E. Meads.

Song, "Cruiskeen Lawn"—S. Binns.

"Irishmen as Patriots"—A. G. Hanback.

"The Drinks of Old Ireland"—Henry Scott.

Song, "Sweet Dublin City"—I. N. Lynch.

"The Majesty of the Law"—Judge Jesse English.

"The Jersey Irishman"—Ira C. Perkins.

"Tender Recollections"—Chas. W. Daniels.

"The Barney Stone and the Ladies"—Ed. Seaman.

The following telegrams were received by the secretary of the Hibernian Society and explain themselves:

HOT SPRINGS, ARK., March 17.

I regret that business of importance will prevent my attendance. You have my best wishes and may the green ever wave above the red and old Ireland be free from the center to the sea.

W. S. NORTON.

GUTHRIE, OKLA., March 17.

I regret exceedingly that I am unable to meet with the loyal Irishmen of Baxter on this momentous occasion. My heart will ever beat in unison with the music of the old sod. The shillalah, the poteen, the corn cob pipe and the shamrock—the emblems of the Green Isle of the Sea—are ever fresh in my memory, and if Kansas is ever to be redeemed from crankism and general cussedness it must be by the united efforts of the Irish people and under the flag of our glorious fatherland. C. GRAHAM HORNOR.

P. S.—The legislature of Oklahoma is composed of Irishmen almost entirely. C. G. H.

WASHINGTON, D. C., March 17.

I would be glad to be wid yees this blessed day, but I am here looking after the interest of me constituents in the mather of a few small offices. I have some influence wid the president elect and I am stoppin wid him by request. I was offered a place in the cabinet, but there was too many mugwumps in the outfit already and so I take the postoffice at Max. Ould Ireland forever. "Erin go bragh," "Fag a Ballach." McNAUGHTON.

ARTHUR WARNER'S PARTY.

It was a merry little party of 20 boys and girls that gathered together at the home of Col. Alexander Warner on Tuesday afternoon on the occasion of Arthur Warner's sixth birthday anniversary. Games were played and when supper was announced all were ready. The good things were enjoyed by all and afterwards the children were interested in a large Jack Hornor pie—a large basket covered with a paper from which emerged a string for each member of the party. Each took a string and at a given word "pulled out a plum." The special prize for the girls was pulled by Miss Hyrell Hawkes and Master Harry Ludlum was the fortunate boy. About 5 o'clock the good-byes were said and all had "had a lovely time." Arthur was very kindly remembered by his little friends. Those present were: Grace Perkins, Eula Finn, Ruby Tucker, Frankie Daniels, Carrie Perkins, Hyrell and Jennie Hawkes, Bessie Slater, Erma McElhiney, Harry and Clara March, Harry Ludlum, Hugo Schmuck, Murray Perkins, Clifford Knight, Frank and Paul Haskett.

A RARE AND RICH OCCASION.

The golden wedding anniversary of Mr. and Mrs. E. Binns was celebrated at their residence on Tuesday night. Some persons who had come into possession of the fact, thought so rare an occurrence as a wedded pair being spared to live together half a century should not pass unnoticed, so by a private and preconcerted plan the victims of the plot were invited to take tea and pass the evening with Mr. and Mrs. L. Murray Perkins, which they were enjoying until about 8 o'clock, when a messenger bore to Mr. Binns the word "that a friend wished to see him at home." Upon the arrival of himself and wife they found their home possessed and now themselves captured by about fifty of their friends. They surrendered to arms and hearts and let the holders of the fort have their way. Mr. Binns said "it was more of a fright than a surprise." Himself and bride were hidden to feel perfectly at home, and they seemed serene in entering upon this the third quarto-centennial honeymoon.

A bridal feast was served, much music enlivened the hours, most genial sociality reigned, and in time the momentous object of the assembling received attention. Mr. and Mrs. Binns were seated together where all could see and hear when Rev. Mr. Bramhall addressed them, referring to their mutual admiration, courtship and union formed far away across the deep, fifty years ago and expressed gratitude to the good Providence that guided them to home here in our midst, where their example had become an encouragement to all who know them to live right, where their exhibit of a uniform, faithful and non-sectarian christian life was an inspiration to every unprejudiced observer to lead such a life, etc., and then presented them a purse containing \$50 in gold, this from the family, relatives and a few of their hosts of friends. Here the estimable pair now standing, were requested to join hands, while they were reminded of their matrimonial vows so long kept sacred, and now could be replaid by a kiss, which was heartily done and their warm friends present were permitted to lavish upon them their warmest congratulations. The worthy pair passed this order as if they had been through such experiences before.

Still there was more to follow; their thoughtful, firm friend, Mrs. M. V. Miller, had brought for each a pair of slippers, which were presented with the thought that the long time pilgrimage in life's pathway might give occasion for well worn slippers to be replaced by new ones and these would newly fit them to enter upon this new era of life. To all of these expressions Father Binns now most feelingly responded in his usual well chosen expressive words. The bride's cake was brought and the bride cutting it, the guests were served, when time bade them depart. This they did, declaring it to be one of the happiest times of their lives.

May the honored pair live to celebrate their diamond wedding.

A MYSTERIOUS FIRE.

Wednesday evening about 6 o'clock R. J. Morrison, who lives about a block northeast of Springs park, left his barn, a small shed affair, for his house. He was accompanied by his son, nearly grown, and everything about the stable seemed to be all right. About five minutes afterward the family was startled by the cry of fire and it was then discovered that the stable was enveloped in flames. Mr. Morrison barely succeeded in getting his only horse out, and she was quite severely burned in the operation. The barn was packed nearly full of baled hay, a fresh ton or more having been put in Saturday last.

How the fire originated is a mystery, as Mr. Morrison was quite positive that no fire had been about the barn, and there can be no plausible theory advanced as to how it started. The stable belonged to Elias Johnson and was of small value. Mr. Morrison lost about \$9 worth of hay.

THE BLUE MOUND LITERARY.

The meeting announced in the News of last week was well attended. The organization of a literary and debating society was effected by electing the following officers: J. C. Ebensten, president; M. N. McCartney, vice president; Willie Snyder, secretary, after which the statism of changing the order of the debating department was discussed at great length. It was unanimously decided instead of the common debate to organize a house of congress, which was done. Roberts' Rules of Order were adopted by the society as its guide. The first bill was introduced by the congressman from Arkansas and provided for the annexation of the Hawaiian Islands. The guild will hold its first meeting on Saturday evening, March 18, at 8 o'clock p. m. Quite an extensive literary program has been arranged in conjunction with the session of congress. A cordial invitation is extended to all to attend.

FOR POSTOFFICE CANDIDATES.

Cleveland has said that he will not appoint any person postmaster who will not devote his entire time to the office, and that no persons will be appointed until the commission of the present incumbents expires. That means a long time in Baxter. Col. March should be thankful.

CITY COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS.

March 14, 1893.

Council met in regular session, Mayor Fribley presiding and Councilmen Polster, Tucker and Cooper being present.

Committee on finance reported the following report of City Treasurer E. B. Corse correct, and ordered same filed:

To the honorable Mayor and Council of the City of Baxter Springs, Kansas, I beg leave to submit the following report of funds received and disbursed by me since my last report:

GENERAL FUND.	
Balance on hand Feb. 11, '92.....	\$ 65 96
Amount received.....	3,069 23
Amount disbursed.....	2,805 34
Balance on hand Feb. 28, '93.....	329 85
BOND INTEREST FUND.	
Balance on hand Feb. 11, '92.....	\$1,318 27
Amount received.....	1,639 45
Amount disbursed.....	1,836 79
Balance on hand Feb. 28, '93.....	1,019 12
CEMETERY FUND.	
Balance on hand Feb. 11, '92.....	\$ 49 18
Amount received.....	40 40
Amount disbursed.....	88 33
FUNDING BOND FUND.	
Balance on hand Feb. 11, '92.....	\$ 336 47
Transferred to city hall fund.....	79 69
Amount disbursed.....	31 35
Balance on hand Feb. 28, '93.....	245 12
CITY HALL FUND.	
Balance on hand Feb. 11, '92.....	\$ 6 81
Borrowed from funding bond fund.....	70 70
Amount received.....	48 00
Amount disbursed.....	101 98
Balance on hand Feb. 28, '93.....	22 53

Respectfully submitted Feb. 28, 1893.

E. B. CORSE, City Treas.

For the purpose of making the city's financial condition more plain to the public we give the following recapitulation of the above report:

Total balance on hand Feb. 11, '92.....\$1,676 69

Total amount received.....4,798 88

Total amount disbursed.....4,768 26

Total balance on hand Feb. 28, '93.....1,705 32

Cancelled city warrants on motion placed on file.

Special committee was granted further time on claim of L. M. Perkins.

Marshal Hemstreet reported that he had rebuilt pound on Water street immediately west of Main street.

Mayor Fribley asked that the fines of Levi Young and Sam Turner be remitted and on motion they were remitted.

Mr. Cooper moved that the city treasurer be and is hereby authorized to borrow money from any fund in his possession to pay any maturing coupons that may be presented. Motion carried unanimously.

On motion the city clerk was instructed to notify J. J. Thompson to vacate the house and grounds at the national cemetery, as he had not complied with the city's requirements in keeping clean and in repair said cemetery.

Mr. Cooper moved that this council appropriate the sum of fifty dollars to the Baxter Springs Library Association. Motion unanimously carried.

On motion the following bills were allowed and ordered paid:

Gardner & Smith, printing.....	\$11 75
C. R. Estes, balance on bridge con.....	7 00
A. Rakestraw, grading Council street.....	60 00
Abe Boyd, hauling lumber.....	1 00
J. M. English, work on pound.....	3 12
O. M. Michener, hauling.....	5 50
Frank Hemstreet, boarding prisoners.....	3 65
B. F. Crowell, repairs on bridge.....	5 75
Lee Pigg, work on bridge.....	1 50
David Bishop, building bridge.....	27 65
D. S. Mitchell, lumber for bridge.....	34 81
J. J. Fribley, hardware.....	28 50

On motion the mayor was instructed to issue a proclamation urging the cleaning up of all litter or filth in the streets, alleys or buildings of the city and that he have the same published in poster form and distributed or posted in every house in the city.

PETTY PILFERERS PILFERING.

Two weeks ago last Monday night some unprincipled wretch entered T. C. Weaver's barn and appropriated a 100-pound sack of bran to his own use, and not being satisfied with this he returned Saturday night and helped himself to 200 pounds more. Not being satisfied with bran he made a visit to the poultry house of Chas. L. Smith Sunday night and took unto himself a few fowls of the hen profession.

The pilferer is known, but as he is in sore need of something of this kind no step will be taken to prosecute him unless he persists in keeping up his nefarious practice. A word to the wise should be sufficient, but it may not be.

RETURNED TO BAXTER.

The many friends of Rev. M. E. Bramhall will be pleased to learn that he has been returned to this city for another year by the Southeast Kansas conference of the M. E. church which held its annual session at Coffeyville last week. Rev. Bramhall speaks in high praise of Coffeyville and its people and says the conference was right hospitably entertained.

Card of Thanks.

I desire to return my sincere thanks to my many friends who placed the amount of their purchases to my credit in the prize contest of Mr. F. H. Hoose thus causing me to win the first prize, a splendid bicycle.

Very truly yours, HARRY MARCH.

Kansas will soon vote upon the proposition to give women the full right of suffrage which means that an active canvass will be made of the state by the lights of the woman's suffrage movement throughout the country. As in all the ages of the past man has proven unable to resist the entreaties of women, it is likely that the proposition will carry.